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SUBJECT:WCAG REVIEW OF FY 76 CCP (FIFTH QUARTER) AND FY77  
CCP FIRST QUARTER) REPORTS

REF:CARACAS 738, CARACAS 733

1. WCAG MET FEBRUARY 23 AND REVIEWED REFTELS. REGRET SC  
REPORT OF FEBRUARY MEETING NOT TRANSMITTED SOON AFTERWARDS.  
FOR THE RECORD, REPORT OF MEETING FOLLOWS.

2. WCAG WISHES TO COMMEND EMBASSY FOR SUCCESSFUL COMPLE-  
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TION OF FY 76 CCP. BALANCE OF TELEGRAM PERTAINS TO FY 77  
CCP.

3. WCAG WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND EMBASSY FOR ITS EFFORTS IN  
IDENTIFYING AND DEVELOPING PREVIOUSLY NON-EXISTENT VENE-  
ZUELAN MARKET FOR PRE-FABRICATED STRUCTURES AND FIRE SAFETY  
EQUIPMENT.

4. CAMPAIGN 1 ACTION 1, CAMPAIGNS 3 AND 4 ACTION 3, AND CAMPAIGN 13 ACTION 3 ALL AFFECTED BY RECENT CHANGES IN USDOC TRADE FAIR SCHEDULE. WCAG AGREED THAT CUMULATIVE MILESTONES FOR THESE ACTIONS SHOULD BE SHIFTED ACCORDINGLY.

5. CAMPAIGN 4 ACTION 3A -- WCAG EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT INSUFFICIENT FUNDS AVAILABLE TO HOST RECEPTION FOR RELEVANT ASSOCIATIONS AND AGENTS. WCAG WOULD LIKE CLARIFICATION OF PROBLEM AND HOPES THAT PROBLEM WILL BE RECTIFIED.

6. CAMPAIGN 5 -- WCAG AGREED TO DROPPING ACTION 5.

7. CAMPAIGN 10 -- WCAG AGREED TO TRANSFER OF ACTION 3 TO CAMPAIGN 11; THIS ACTION WILL BE NUMBER 5 IN CAMPAIGN 11. WCAG APPRECIATES EXTENSIVE REPORTING ON BERTHING DISCRIMINATION AND PORT CONGESTION. SINCE THIS INFORMATION IS OF GREAT INTEREST TO U.S. BUSINESS COMMUNITY, WCAG RECOMMENDS THAT FUTURE REPORTING DISTINGUISH BETWEEN CLASSIFIED/UNCLASSIFIED ASPECTS OF THESE PROBLEMS.

8. CAMPAIGN 11, ACTION 3 -- WCAG RECOMMENDED MOVING THIS ACTIVITY INTO FOURTH QUARTER, IF EXHIBITION FACILITY SCHEDULE PERMITS.

9. CAMPAIGN 12 -- JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS CAMPAIGN FORSEES LARGE DEVELOPMENT IN THIS AREA. WCAG SEES NO UNCLASSIFIED

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REASON TO DROP THIS CAMPAIGN UNLESS EMBASSY CAN POINT TO CHANGES IN THE BASIC CONDITIONS WHICH JUSTIFIED EXISTENCE OF THIS CAMPAIGN. WCAG WOULD LIKE TO SEE EMBASSY REPORTING ON FOOD PROCESSING AND PACKAGING PROJECTS CONTINUE AND POINTS OUT THAT ACTION 3 IS STILL APPLICABLE.

10. CAMPAIGN 14 -- WCAG BELIEVES ANY CONSIDERATION OF DROPPING THIS CAMPAIGN IS PREMATURE. AIRLINE SPACE LIMITATION RELATES TO PEAK TRAVEL SEASON. USTS NOW WORKING UP PROGRAM TO PROMOTE TRAVEL DURING THE OFFSEASON, AND TO PROMOTE TRAVEL TO NON-TRADITIONAL DESTINATIONS IN THE U.S. USTS COORDINATING WITH AUTHORITIES IN WASHINGTON TO SUPPORT AIRLINE REQUEST FOR INCREASED CAPACITY IN FUTURE. TOURISM FIGURES SHOW VENEZUELA AS ONE OF STRONGEST TOURISM GROWTH AREAS FOR USA IN THE WORLD. CHRISTOPHER

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